# DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL Department Summary

#### Mission Statement

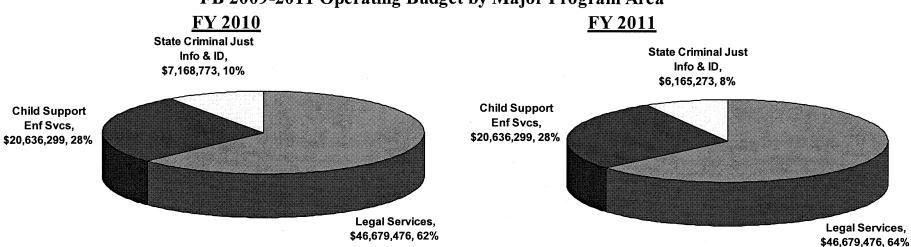
To provide legal and other services to the State, including the agencies, officers, and employees of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the Hawaii government.

#### Department Goals

To safeguard the rights and interests of the people of the State of Hawaii by being the defender of and advocate for the people and undertaking appropriate legal and other actions on their behalf; to protect the State's interest in legal matters by providing excellent and timely legal advice and representation to the executive, legislative, and judicial branches; to preserve, protect, and defend the constitution and laws of the State of Hawaii and the United States, to enforce the State's constitution and laws, and to facilitate the enforcement of federal law; and to assist and coordinate statewide programs and activities that improve the criminal justice system and law enforcement.

Significant Measures of Effectiveness	<u>FY 2010</u>	<b>FY 2011</b>
1. Number of cases settled, tried, or decided	25,800	25,800
2. Percentage of complete dispositions on CJIS-Hawaii	93.0%	93.0%
3. Efficiency rating: Dollars collected per dollar expended	5	5

### FB 2009-2011 Operating Budget by Major Program Area



### DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAJOR FUNCTIONS

- Provides legal services to the state agencies and employees; represents the State in all civil litigations in which the State is a party; conducts civil and criminal investigations; drafts and approves as to form the legality of various documents.
- Prosecutes criminal offenses, such as Medicaid fraud, welfare fraud, tax fraud, unemployment fraud, organized crime, and other crime against the public order; and initiates, develops and performs or coordinates programs, projects and activities on the subject of crime.
- Oversees the actions of the trustees of charitable trusts and to bring any abuse or deviation by the trustees to the attention of the probate court for possible correction.
- Seeks to enforce the federal and state antitrust laws to benefit businesses and consumers in the State of Hawaii and the overall welfare of the State of Hawaii.

- Responsible for the enforcement of the Master Settlement Agreement pursuant to the Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 675 (HRS Chapter 675, State's Tobacco Liability Act); and the Cigarette Tax Stamp requirements and prohibition against the sale of Gray Market cigarettes.
- Maintains the automated statewide information system that collects, maintains, and disseminates individual criminal history record information for those arrested and fingerprinted.
- Administers the Child Support Enforcement Program, which involves initiating legal or administrative actions required to secure financial support for children.
- Provides a fair and impartial administrative forum for the expeditious resolution of child support disputes through the Office of Child Support hearings.

#### **MAJOR PROGRAM AREAS**

The Department of the Attorney General has programs in the following major program areas:

#### **Social Services**

ATG 500

Child Support Enforcement Services

**Government-Wide Support** 

ATG 100 Legal Services

#### **Public Safety**

ATG 231

State Criminal Justice Information and Identification

### Department of the Attorney General (Operating Budget)

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		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
<b>Funding Sources:</b>	Positions	362.43	348.43	348.43
General Funds	\$	28,420,414	25,263,159	25,263,159
		18.00	22.00	22.00
Special Funds		1,958,662	2,346,782	2,346,782
		178.00	178.00	178.00
Federal Funds		26,391,051	25,117,352	25,117,352
		0.00	0.00	0.00
Trust Funds		6,193,203	6,067,383	6,067,383
		55.35	55.35	55.35
Interdepartmental Trans	ransfers	8,406,976	7,976,110	7,976,110
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Revolving Funds		6,063,275	6,882,176	5,878,676
		0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Funds	·	0	831,586	831,586
		647.28	637.28	637.28
<b>Total Requirements</b>		77,433,581	74,484,548	73,481,048

#### Major Adjustments in the Executive Budget Request: (general funds unless noted)

- 1. Deletes 8.50 vacant positions and \$3,364,475 each year in Legal Services that includes anticipated vacancies, Career Criminal Prosecution and Victim Assistance, Sex Assault contract, and miscellaneous costs. Deletes 1.50 vacant positions and \$42,876 in federal funds in each year.
- 2. Deletes 1.00 vacant Criminal ID Supervisor position and \$199,521 in each year which includes R&M of data processing equipment for the Automated Fingerprint ID System.
- 3. Deletes 5.00 vacant positions and \$155,036 in each year for the Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center.
- 4. Deletes \$417,782 in general funds and \$810,989 in federal funds each year in other current expenses in the Child Support Enforcement Agency.

## Department of Attorney General (Capital Improvements Budget)

	FY 2010	FY 2011
<b>Funding Sources:</b>		
General Obligation Bonds	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0
<b>Total Requirements</b>	0	0

Highlights of the Executive CIP Budget Request: (general obligation bonds unless noted)

1. None.